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CLAIMS

What is claimed as being new and desired to be protected by LETTERS PATENT of the United States is as follows:

1. A therapeutic pad system for the application of a coolant to an affected body part of a user to reduce pain, swelling and puffiness in a safe and efficient manner comprising, in combination:

an ice patch having a generally disc-shaped configuration with a diameter of about 3.5 inches, the patch having a circular first wall and a circular generally parallel second wall fabricated of a plastic-vinyl material with the first and second walls coupled about their peripheries to form a space there between and with a non-solid gel which is capable of being frozen, thawed and re-frozen a plurality of times located within the space, the exterior surface of one wall having printed indicia in the form of a fruit or vegetable;

a jacket fabricated of a cloth material and having a generally disc shaped configuration with a diameter of about 4 inches with the jacket having an interior panel and an exterior panel with the interior panel and the exterior panel forming a pocket there between with common stitching approximately over the lower two thirds of the jacket and with the upper one-third forming an opening for the movement of the ice patch to and from the pocket, the exterior panel being fabricated of a circular

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disc of a cloth lining interiorly and a circular disc of felt externally, the interior panel being fabricated of a mixture of fiber staples having an internal diameter slightly larger than the external diameter of the ice patch;

decorative indicia comprising two oval felt ears and a round felt nose and two round cloth eyes of liquid paint and a mouth of liquid paint, the indicia coupled exteriorly to the exterior panel of the jacket;

a carrying case fabricated of a heavy cloth material having a forward wall and an integral rearward wall coupled at their side edges, the rearward wall extending into a flap, the flap having a generally rectilinear configuration with radially concentric edges, the forward and rearward walls forming a pocket there within with a line of stitching parallel with the side edges to form two pockets for receiving two jackets, each with an ice patch; and

a tie fabricated of flexible material having a length of between about 12 and 24 inches, the tie being coupled at its center to the outer surface of the rearward wall to hold the flap to the carrying case when tied and to allow access to the jackets and ice patches when untied.

2. (Currently Amended) A therapeutic pad system comprising:

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an ice patch having a generally disc-shaped configuration, the patch having a circular first wall and a circular generally parallel second wall fabricated of a plastic-vinyl material, a non-solid gel which is capable of being frozen, thawed and re-frozen a plurality of times located within the space between the walls, the ice patch being configured to be retained on an eye of a user by gravity;

a jacket fabricated of a cloth material and having a generally disc shaped configuration with an interior panel and an exterior panel and a pocket there between for receiving the ice patch and including common stitching approximately over the lower two-thirds of the jacket and with the upper one-third forming an opening; and

decorative indicia coupled to the exterior panel of the jacket.

3. (Currently Amended) The system as set forth in claim 2 and further including:

a carrying case fabricated of a heavy cloth material having a forward wall and an integral rearward wall coupled at their side edges, the rearward wall extending into a flap, the flap having a generally rectilinear configuration with radially cornered edges, the forward and rearward walls forming a pocket there within with a line of stitching parallel with the side

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edges to form two pockets for receiving two jackets, each with an ice patch, and

a tie fabricated of flexible material having a length of between about 12 and 24 inches, the tie being coupled at its center to the outer surface of the rearward wall to hold the flap to the carrying case when tied and to allow access to the jackets and ice patches when untied.

4. (Canceled)
5. The system as set forth in claim 2 and further including indicia on one surface of the ice patch.
- 6 - 13. (Canceled)